IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH,

AT HYDERABAD

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S. RAO

W.P. No. 24503 OF 2005

Date: 12.12.2005

BETWEEN:

K. Tamma Rao

…. PETITIONER

And

1. The District Collector & Confirming Authority, District Level Committee (Sand Auctions), East Godavari District, Kakinada, and another.

…. RESPONDENTS

HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S. RAO

WRIT PETITION No. 24503 OF 2005

ORDER:

The petitioner filed the instant writ petition *inter alia* seeking a direction to the respondents to conduct auction to lease out sand in reach No.48 (Vemagiri-Kadiyapulanka) of Akhanda Godavari left bank from 0/000 to 8/000 km. It appears the second respondent conducted auction to lease out 15 sand packages and 10 sand reaches under river Godavari in September–October 2005. But no auction was conducted for reach No.48 in view of the report of the Executive Engineer, Irrigation Department, who is a River Conservator, requesting to stop auction in view of enormous damage to sand ramps by heavy vehicular movement.

In the counter affidavit filed by the second respondent it is further stated that as the Executive Engineer, Godawary Head Works, Dowlaiswaram (River Conservator) submitted another report on 10.11.2005 proposing alternative route to reach No.48, necessary steps will be taken to conduct auction according to A.P. Mines and Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.

In view of the counter averments made, the learned counsel for the petitioner does not further pursue the matter and only requests to give a direction to the respondents to complete the auction as early as possible. The learned Assistant Government

Pleader does not object for the same. Therefore, the writ petition is disposed of recording the submission of the second respondent as above.

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(**V.V.S. RAO, J.)**

12th December, 2005

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